Proceedings of the Mysore Representative Assembly, 1913.

MEMORANDUM.

The thirtieth session of the representative raiyats, merchants and others was held in the Durbar Hall of the Public Offices at Mysore on Saturday the 11th October 1913 and succeeding days, the Dewan Mr. M. Visvesvaraya, C.I.E., presiding.

In accordance with the system of triennial election instituted in 1894, the taluk members elected last year (1912) continued to hold their seats during the year 1913. The total number of representatives returned was 287 as shown below :—

Representatives from 68 taluks including sub-taluks	...	212
Representatives from 27 Municipalities	...	42
Representatives from 8 Local Boards	...	16
Representatives from 17 Associations	...	17
Total	...	287

Two seats fell vacant owing to the death of a member from each of the taluks of Chikmagalur and Hoskoté.

Of the total number of members, *viz.*, 287,

3 were Europeans
15 „ Mahomedans
269 „ Hindus

Arranged according to occupations—

52 were merchants
3 „ sahukars
64 „ village officers (patels and shanbhogs)
121 „ landholders
39 „ lawyers
and 8 followed other professions.

Government were pleased to recognise the deputation of a member from the Lingayat Education Fund Association, Bangalore, and the Bar Association, Mysore, during the year.

The attendance of members at the meetings of the Assembly this year was 238 as against 259 in the previous year.

The Hon'ble Col. Sir Hugh Daly, K.C.I.E., C.S.I., the British Resident in Mysore, the European guests of His Highness the Maharaja and a large body of retired officers and leading citizens of Mysore were present on the opening day of the Assembly. The Members of the State Council, the Heads of various departments and other principal officers of the State were also present.

The Dewan opened the Proceedings by reading his English Address to the Assembly. A Kannada translation of the same was subsequently read by Mr. B. Ramaswamaiya, B.A., B.L., Under-Secretary to Government.

Addresses from the following institutions and bodies were read and presented to the Dewan by the gentlemen named against each :—

The Kolar Gold Fields Mining Board by Mr. Arthur Gifford.
Members of the Kadur District by Mr. H. Krishna Rao.
Members of the Malur and other taluks by Mr. Rame Gowda.
The Central Mahomedan Association, Bangalore, by Mr. M. G. Mehkri.
The Lingayat Education Fund Association, Bangalore, by Mr. H. K. Veerabasaviah.
Sri Yedugiri Sadananda Vardhini Sabha, Melkote, by Mr H. Krishna Sastri.
Members of the Nagamangala taluk by Mr. Gangappa.
Members of the Tumkur District by Mr. K. Ramanujaiengar.

These addresses with the Dewan's reply thereto are printed in Appendix A.

The more important of the representations made by the members were discussed in the Assembly from the 13th to 19th October 1913 (both days inclusive). These together with a summary of the discussions and the replies given thereto by the Dewan are contained in Part I of the Proceedings. Part II contains the remaining representations which were not discussed in the Assembly and were reserved for the consideration of Government in the departments concerned.

The Rules regulating the election of Representative Assembly members to the Legislative Council were modified, as announced in the Dewan's Address, the number of members to be returned by the Assembly being increased from 2 to 4. The election was conducted on the 16th October 1913 and the Government were pleased to nominate, as additional members of the Mysore Legislative Council with effect from 1st November 1913, the undermentioned gentlemen who secured the largest number of votes :—

1. Mr. M. Venkatakrishnayya, Mysore.
2. „ M. Karnik Krishna Murthi, Magadi.
3. „ B. Narasinga Rao, Seringapatam.
4. „ S. R. Balakrishna Rao, B.A., LL.B., Shimoga.

The papers relating to the election are printed in Appendix E.

The Government of His Highness the Maharaja were pleased to accord to the Assembly the additional privilege of returning eight of its members to the Mysore Economic Conference. The election meeting for this purpose was also held on the 16th October 1913 and the following gentlemen who secured the largest number of votes at the said meeting were appointed as members of the Economic Conference :—

1. Mr. Karnik Krishna Murthi, Magadi.
2. „ K. Ramanujaiengar, Gubbi.
3. „ H. Krishna Sastri, Krishnarajpete.
4. „ Singri Nanjappa, Tiptur.
5. „ H. Krishna Rao, Koppa.
6. „ H. K. Veerabasaviah, Bangalore.
7. „ M. Venkataramaiya, Manjarabad.
8. „ D. S. Hanumantha Rao, Devanhalli.

The papers connected with the election of members to the Economic Conference are printed in Appendix F.

At the close of the discussions on the 19th October 1913, Messrs. Amble Annaiya Pandit, H. Krishna Sastri and others thanked the Dewan on behalf of the members for the valuable privileges announced by him, such as, the enlargement of the Legislative Council and the grant of the right of interpellation and the privilege of budget discussion to its members, and prayed that their sentiments of loyalty and gratitude might be conveyed to His Highness the Maharaja. In reply, the Dewan thanked the members for their kind words of appreciation and promised to convey their sentiments of loyalty and gratitude to His Highness the Maharaja.

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